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THE YEAR'S WORK.

The annual prize distribution in connection with the Bellios Public School took place on Saturday in the Hall at Queen's College, the prizes being presented by Mrs. R. E. O. Bird (formerly Headmistress of the School).
Miss H. F. Skinner, headmistress, in her report, reviewed the year's work of the School as follows:—

Before proceeding to read the report, I should like, on behalf of the staff and pupils, to welcome Mrs. Bird back to Bellios: all are happy to see her here with them again.
School days this year numbered 189, an average daily attendance of 508 is shown. In December—the beginning of the school year—over 300 girls presented themselves for admission, of whom 109 entered the classes. The school had then its full complement of pupils; there are 353 on the roll.

The health of the school has remained good throughout the year, and we have been entirely free from infectious troubles.
There have been few changes in organization, the work during the course of the year has proceeded smoothly. Mention might be made of the Cookery Classes which continue to be enthusiastically followed and enjoyed. The practical nature of the work may be judged by the fact that a three-course tiffin is usually prepared which is partaken of by the cooks themselves.

The Drawing and Needlework in the school continue to give satisfaction, and a high standard is maintained. In the small entrance hall you will find an exhibition of the work that has been done during the year.

Yearly examinations were held throughout the school in November and pupils promoted on the results. We congratulate those who were successful in obtaining the Government Scholarships for 1925, and the twelve Grant-in-Aid Scholars who came to us from Vernacular Schools. Last year Lady Stubbs presented a silver cup to be held by those who passed Matriculation: the cup this year will be held in turn by the three candidates who have just matriculated. In addition to the three Matriculation passes the school has obtained five passes in the Junior. In connection with the Locals it is interesting to note that one of the Matriculation students of last year is now studying medicine at the University, and we hope her example will be followed by the new candidates.

One of the traditions of the school, I, as a new comer, am happy to find, is a willingness to help those in need. I should like to thank the pupils for their ready response in September to a somewhat hurried call for help in connection with the Canton floods. In addition to this, they have contributed \$1,000 to the Ministering Children's League Fund this year: they maintain a cot in Great Ormond Street Hospital, London; another in the Netherlands Hospital, Hongkong; and an orphan in the Kowloon Home.

On the staff there have been several changes during the course of the year. In July, Miss Clarke left to be married, and I took over her work in September. Miss Clarke has been associated with the Bellios Public School for ten years, since 1915 as Headmistress. All join me in wishing her every happiness during the few months she is remaining in Hongkong, and long years of happiness and health for herself and her husband when they return home.

In the summer term Miss Wong and Miss Keng left, the existing vacancies on the staff being filled by Miss Yim Hing Ho and Miss Hung Man Tsui. Mrs. Adams resigned in November, and Miss Brennan was transferred to Quarry Bay School in December. Miss Lewis and Miss Hughes, who are just out from Home, joined the staff last month. Miss Cheung Lai Ching was appointed as Vernacular Mistress in December.

In conclusion I most earnestly thank Mrs. Bird for the help and experienced advice she has so willingly given me whenever requested; and also should like to express my appreciation to each member of the staff for their loyal and sympathetic support during my first term at Bellios; their attitude has made the term for myself a most enjoyable period of work.

Our thanks are due to Mr. Tanner, the Headmaster of Queen's College, for the use of the hall this morning; and to all subscribers to the Prize Fund.

PRIZE LIST.

The prize list included the following:—
Class 1. Matriculation.—Ng Shut Hing, Ng Heung Yan, Ho Yan Chi.
Class 2. Government Scholarship.—Junior Local.—Kwok Lai Sim, Fung Sui King, Kwok Lai Lin, Wong Shan Ha, Hung Lai Kwan.
Class 3. Government Scholarship.—Fung Mui Kwan. First prize, Ngo Sui Hing; second prize, Yung Po Yieh; third prize, Lo Hing Hing.
Class 4. Government Scholarship.—Sung Ngan Lai. First prize, Hui Wai Han; second prize, Hui Lok Yip; third prize, Ho Lai Yin.
Class 5. Government Scholarship.—Tao Tong Tai. First prize, Ho Tui Hing; second prize, Tao Tong Tai; third prize, Kwok Sui Ying and Kong Sau Tsing.
Class 6. Government Scholarship.—Mabel Chue. Division 1, Sylvia Remedios and May Law; division 2, Mabel Chue; division 3, Alice Rodriguez.
Class 7. Government Scholarship.—Choi Mui. First prize, Li Yum Yung; second prize, Choi Mui; third prize, Kwok Kwan Ming.
Remove. Government Scholarship.—Sin Po Hing. Class 7a, Tong Yin Yu; Class 7b, Tung Sau Wa; Class 7c, Fok Yik Yip; Class 7d, Ng Chee Hing; Class 8a, Tang Tak Chung; Class 8b, Ng Sun Yung; Class 8c, Lee Chung Ying; Class 8d, Chan Fung Yee.
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PRESENTATION OF PRIZES.

Prizes were then presented to the scholars by Mrs. Bird, who congratulated the pupils on their success at the examinations. She remarked that there is a great demand for woman doctors in the Colony, and expressed the hope that the senior scholars of the school would take advantage of the facilities offered by the University for qualifying as doctors. In order to create an interest to this end she would present the School with a silver cup to be competed for by the students. She knew that all could not win prizes, but she asked all the students to cultivate three qualities—cheerfulness, happiness and unselfishness. She would wish them good-bye, for it was the last time she would be present. She was happy to be with them.
Mr. E. HARRIS thanked Mrs. Bird for attending, and appealed to the students to cultivate the qualities mentioned by Mrs. Bird.

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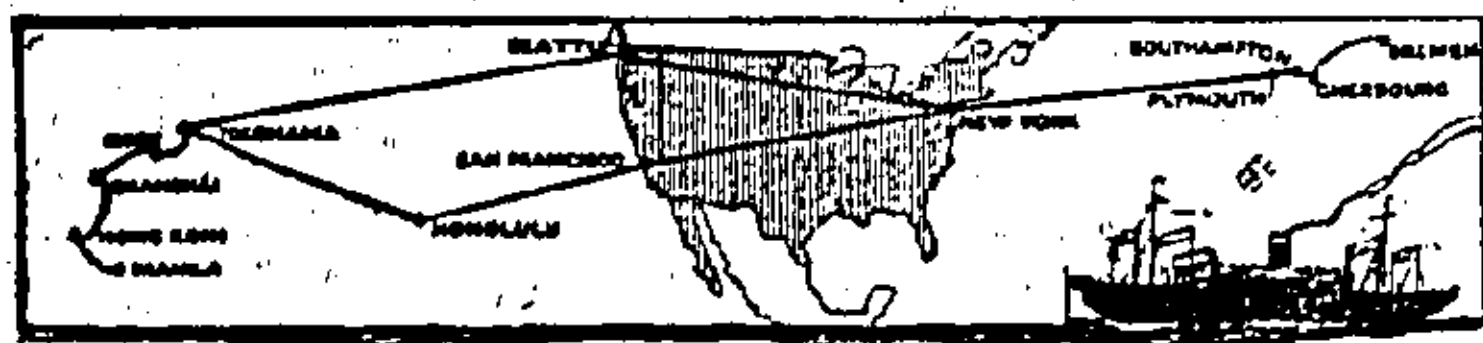
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WHITES v. BLUES.

The first of the Interport Trial games was played on the Hongkong F. C. ground before a good attendance. Stewart won the toss for the Whites. Johnson set the ball rolling for the blues who were defending the Wong Nei Chong Road end. Brown got away on the Blues' left but shot behind. The exchanges opened fairly even but it was soon evident that the players were not up to their usual form, or that they were not going to exert themselves, for shooting on both sides was wild while combination was not good. The first chance of scoring came for the Blues when Brown dropped over from the left, but Johnson failed to take a first chance shot and the ball came back to Gerrard who cleared. Corners fell to both sides and Humberstone was sent in, but Clarke, with good judgment, beat him close in. Leung Yuk Tong was playing a useful game and was well applauded for his efforts. A free kick for hands gave the Blues a chance but the ball was sent in wide. A fast shot from Lai Wai Tong almost got home, but Clarke throwing himself at the ball stopped it and, recovering, cleared. Had the right wing been in position the Whites most probably would have taken the lead. The South China player appeared to be the only one to trouble Clarke for Humberstone and Eaton could not get going. Offside by Forsyth, close in, spoilt a good opening for the Blues and the Whites, going down, opened the score. Mackleworth sent in a dropping shot and Clarke pushed out. The ball going to McKelvie, he sent it to Eaton who was unmarked a couple of yards from goal and the East Surrey man sent it into the net with Clarke helpless. It was a somewhat lucky goal, for Clarke appeared to be unsighted.

The Blues took up the attack from the centre-back but Gerrard, relieved with a big kick, Wheeler charged down a shot from Lai Wai Tong and the ball rebounded to Mackleworth who returned high over the bar. At the interval the Whites were leading by a goal to nil.

From the restart the Blues took up the attack and McKelvie was wide with a fast ground shot from twenty-five yards range. Butler sent in a long shot which Rodgers easily cleared and at the other end Lai Wai Tong was wide from over thirty yards out. Eaton pulled the ball down before shooting from close range but was penalised for the infringement and the Blues cleared with a free kick. The ball was being continually sent out to the right and Harris made several blunders when he had good chances to get away. Clarke saved near the post from a shot by Lai Wai Tong. Rodgers stopped the ball going over the line when Jordan miskicked and the Blues coming again. Brown centred but Forsyth was wide. The Tamar man came down again and centred. Rodgers just managed to tip the ball over the bar. At the other end the Whites forced a corner, and following the flag kick the ball dodged about in front of Clarke until offside relieved. For a time the Blues kept their opponents at home but could not score. Harris regained favour from the crowd by his fine centres, Rodgers cleared his goal in fine style, receiving little support from his backs. Charlesworth was sent down the wing, and dropping over from the touch line the ball dropped on top of the crossbar and rebounded to play where it was cleared. The Blues tried hard to level up and were rewarded when the Whites goal when the final whistle sounded, leaving the Whites winners by a goal to nil.

The game as a whole did not assist the Selection Committee in making their choice of the team to represent Hongkong in the coming Interport game with Shanghai. Clarke and Rodgers were good in goal, the Club player having a lot to do in the closing fifteen minutes. Of the backs Wynne was well to the fore, while the remaining three worked hard but were none too safe under pressure. Wheeler was unfortunate to get a tumble early in the second half but managed to resume. Stewart and McKelvie worked hard at centre half for their respective sides, although the Kowloon man was up against the best set of forwards. The wing halves were very good, especially Leung Yuk Tong, the South China player, who had several successful tussles with his Club mate, Lai Wai Tong. Of the forwards there is little to say, for shooting was erratic, while individuality was too much in evidence. Combination is necessary if matches are to be won.

The following were the teams.—
Whites—G. Rodgers; Gerrard and Jordan; Pettit, J. Stewart and A. Duncan; Charlesworth, Eaton, Humberstone, Lai Wai Tong and Mackleworth.
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Reserves—Wheeler (Kowloon), J. Stewart (H.K. Club) and Brown (H. M. S. Tamar). Further practice games will take place on Wednesday and Saturday next. The team to oppose the Interport side next Saturday on the Club ground is as follows.—

Wavish (Tamar), Wheeler (Kowloon) and Hume (Petersfield); Pettit (Surreys), Mitchell (Surreys) and A. Duncan (Kowloon); Harris (H.A.), Stuart (Kowloon), (South China), Jones (H.K. Club) Butler (Surreys) and Brown (Tamar).

CLUB DE RECREIO "A" v. CLUB DE RECREIO "B."

After being a goal down in this game on the Kowloon F. C. ground the Club de Recreio "A" beat the "B" team by four goals to 2. The game was well contested throughout. Fernandez keeping a good goal for the "B" team. Pereira opened for the "B" team but D. Xavier, getting through twice for the "A", they were leading at the interval by two goals to one.

After the change of ends Fuertes put the "A" further ahead, but Pereira scoring again for the "B" made the score three to two against them. P. Xavier scored again for the "A" team.

EAST SURREYS RESERVES v. ST. JOSEPH'S "B."

After opening fairly even this game between the East Surreys and St. Joseph's "B" teams ended in a runaway win for the soldiers by six goals to one. Merry scored for the Surreys and F. Leo levelled up for the St. Joseph's. Woodbridge and Robinson scored for the soldiers before the interval. Haltime, East Surreys 3, St. Joseph's "B" 1. The Surreys showed much the better football throughout the second portion of the game and Woodbridge scoring three goals they won by a large margin.

SOUTH CHINA "A" v. SOUTH CHINA "B."

They teams played a well contested game on the South China ground the result being a draw, five goals all. The pace was fast, the without and goal football was seen. The "A" team were without Ip Kau and Au Kit Sang. At the interval the "A" team were leading by three goals to one. Leung Hing Tak (2) and Li Kam Hi scored for "A" Tam Chan Fook for the "B." After the change of ends Leung Ming Tak and Kwok Ping Kam scored for the "A" and Lau Mau (2) Tam Chan Fook and Chan Yuen Yuen for the "B." Final "A" 5, "B" 5.

KOWLOON RESERVES v. UNIVERSITY.

On the Navy "A" ground the Kowloon Reserves won against the University by three goals to nil. Fitzgerald, Millard and Latham scored for the Kowloon Reserves in the opening half. The second half was goalless.

EAST SURREY DRUMS v. SACRED HEART.

On the St. Joseph's ground the Sacred Heart went down pluckily to the Drums, two penalty goals giving the soldiers the victory. B. A. Hyder was absent from the Sacred Heart. At the interval the Surreys Drums were leading by two goals to nil and Cooper (penalty) to nil. In the second half A. R. Minu scored for Sacred Heart and Cooper again from a penalty for the Drums the final score reading, East Surreys Drums 3, Sacred Heart 1.

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THE SUB-GRIFFINS.

A SHANGHAI COMMENT.

The Turf writer of the N.C. Daily News says in the issue of the 7th inst.:—
In three weeks' time we shall be in the thick of the China New Year Meeting at Kiangwan and then there will be racing in plenty right up to June. Already one hears many men saying that the main interest at the New Year Meeting will centre around the sub-griffins and it is to be hoped that to some extent this will be the case. The Kiangwan sub-griffins always have been better than those at Shanghai and this time they are said to be of a still higher grade, whilst a greater proportion have survived the training and come up to racing form. If that is so it will be a great benefit, for it will demonstrate that it is worth while paying rather more for sub-griffins, whilst still keeping them to a reasonable figure, and so encouraging the small man.

It is not too much to say that a considerable extension of the sub-griffin classes in all probability will solve many of the intricate and annoying problems that have arisen in the China racing world and which the Stewards of all clubs—the two in Shanghai in particular—have been endeavouring most strenuously to straighten out. The man who first thought of sub-griffins, and possibly it was not a scheme originating in China, was a genius and it is a great pity that until recently the class has not been taken very seriously. Racing men with a few dollars to spare regarded an investment in a sub-griffin as a gamble. A mob of people brought down in shocking condition and on a date which left insufficient time in which to condition them and see what really could be made of them. Obviously, therefore, the strongest pony was the most likely to be successful, even though he might prove to be the slowest of the mob were time allowed in which properly to condition all of them. So every nominator for a chance brought his patron saint to draw for him either that animal in best condition at the moment or the one who could acquire the most strength in three months. When the races were run invariably it happened that about half-a-dozen sub-griffins out of 150 shared the entire proceeds of eight races, a division not to be expected amongst a similar number of properly conditioned animals, a larger proportion of whom almost certainly would be placed.

When the Autumn Meetings were over, the poor sub-griffins went in a mournful procession to the auction yard and were knocked down for trifling prices. Some had the good fortune to pass into the hands either of discriminating or tender-hearted men and under the combined effects of a good rest, good feed, and then judicious training developed into useful runners, thus showing that it is possible to make something of the most unpromising material. Now we have got to the stage when better sub-griffins are being bought and more encouragement offered to their owners to train and race them. Despite the cynics' insistence that the autumn sub-griffins were no better than before, they undoubtedly were in general much improved and they have been retained in racing stables, whilst, in view of the fact that there are to be valuable sub-griffin races in the spring, some were not raced at all in the autumn, but are being kept over. To reinforce the autumn mob came the spring sub-griffins, of a still better class, and undoubtedly there now is much more interest in the hitherto despised sub-griffin, because there are more men concerned in them, the animals are in better shape, and there are inducements to race. Should the spring sub-griffin races come up to hopes, both at Kiangwan and the extra meetings at Shanghai as well as the big meeting, there should be little difficulty in further extending the scheme. At least the small owner whose sub-griffin earns his keep and some of his purchase price will be very enthusiastic.

CINEMA NOTES

THE WORLD THEATRE.

In the annals of police courts it is seldom found that a criminal has voluntarily accused himself of a crime; especially if that crime happens to be murder, but in "The Love Pirate," the Richard Thomas production, released by F.B.O., which is being shown at the World Theatre to-day, a situation is logically evolved in which three people, two women and a man, accuse themselves of killing Steve Carman, notorious owner of the Black-bird Cabaret. The events leading up to the death of the villain, the self-accusation of the three, the establishing of their innocence, the discovery of the guilty one are only just a few of the events that keep this picture one of thrilling interest and make it a most fascinating mystery drama.

QUEEN'S THEATRE.

There is a powerful lesson for penny-pinching merchants who pay their workers so little that sometimes the latter are driven to steal, in Norma Talmadge's gripping photodrama, "Within the Law," which is the current cinema sensation at the Queen's Theatre this week. As Mary Turner, a struggling department store employee, Norma Talmadge has such a boss and his close-fisted methods result in a theft for which she is blamed. Sent to prison, though she is innocent, Mary swears vengeance against her former employer, and it is this oath that carries her through one of the most dramatic romances ever screened. In the denouement the identity of the true culprit becomes known and Mary gains satisfaction in a most unique fashion.

LOCAL SPORT.

CRICKET.

SATURDAY'S LOCAL MATCHES.

DIVISION I.

C.C.C. v. C.S.C.C.

Craigengower entertained the Civil Service Club in a senior League fixture, and the visitors won by 69 runs. The visitors batted first and knocked up 119, to which the home side, meeting with disaster from the first, could only reply with 50. Mr. E. W. Hamilton only bowled 4.4 overs but took four C.C.C. wickets.

Scores:—

F. E. Lawrence, c. Basa, b. Fincher	5
F. J. de Rome, run out	5
F. Baker, b. Reed	8
C. Alexander, b. Abbas, b. Fritz	30
E. C. Fincher, c. Abbas, b. Fritz	30
A. E. Sutherland, c. Grimes, b. Abbas	17
E. W. Hamilton, l.b.w., b. Fritz	4
H. J. Wallington, b. Fritz	3
F. H. Holdman, c. Grimes, b. Fritz	5
E. B. Reed, l.b.w., b. Abbas	1
F. J. Ling, not out	4
Extras	4

Total 119

Bowling Analysis.	O.	M.	R.	W.
E. F. Fincher	5	2	18	1
R. C. Reed	5	0	33	1
Abbas	6	0	30	3
Fritz	7.1	0	30	4

C.C.C.

D. Fritz, b. Ling	10
R. Basa, b. Reed	4
R. C. Reed, c. Holdman, b. Ling	0
S. Abbas, c. Hamilton, b. Ling	2
T. Grimes, c. Alexander, b. Hamilton	12
E. F. Fincher, b. Hamilton	9
A. Kitchell, l.b.w., b. Hamilton	1
M. Pina, run out	0
Y. Abbas, l.b.w., b. Baker	0
E. Mowfing, not out	1
M. Schnepel, b. Hamilton	5
Extras	6

Total 50

Bowling Analysis.	O.	M.	R.	W.
E. B. Reed	6	2	11	1
Ling	6	1	19	3
Hamilton	4.4	0	14	4
Baker	3	3	0	1

UNIVERSITY v. EAST SURREYS.

The match between the University and the East Surreys, which took place at Pokfulam, was drawn.

Scores:—

Pte. Holliday, c. Ponsonby Fane, b. Rumjahn	69
Pte. Wood, st. Ponsonby Fane, b. Rumjahn	8
Pte. Davies, c. Yeoh, b. Rumjahn	5
Pte. Chidson, b. Balhatchet	83
Lieut. Alfice, b. Quick	37
Capt. Carpenter, l.b.w., b. Balhatchet	0
Capt. Rowe, b. Balhatchet	7
Pte. Corpl. Clark, b. Quick	1
Pte. Chessman, not out	3
Pte. Corpl. Lacey, not out	6
Extras	8

Total (for 8 wks., dec.)...223

Pte. English, did not bat	0			
Bowling Analysis.				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
Balhatchet	11	1	45	3
Rumjahn	11	1	31	3
Shahabudin	8	1	23	0
Quick	6	1	21	2
Yeongsaye	3	0	21	0
Hoslim	2	0	28	0

UNIVERSITY.

A. A. Rumjahn, l.b.w., b. English	73
Rev. E. K. Quick, not out	8
H. N. Balhatchet, not out	28
A. Hoslim, b. Rowe	28
Extras	10

Total (for 2 wickets) 199

T. E. Yeoh, b. P. N. Ng, S. O. Shahabudin, J. F. Yeongsaye, R. A. Ponsonby Fane, W. M. Gittins and S. Hachiuma did not bat.	0
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Bowling Analysis.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Rowe	13	0	60	1
Wood	1	0	17	0
Carpenter	2	0	19	0
English	7	0	25	1
Clark	5	0	23	0
Alfice	4	0	23	0

I.R.C. v. NAVY.

The Royal Navy were the visitors of the Indian Recreation Club, but owing to the call of time the match ended in a draw. The visitors, for nine wickets, knocked up 160, to which the Indians replied with 155.

Scores:—

Lieut. Jotham, l.b.w., b. A. el Arculli	7
Lieut. Abelson, c. S. H. Ismail, b. F. M. el Arculli	21
Lieut. Waucheppe, b. Bhora	21
Capt. Lake, c. A. el Arculli, b. F. M. el Arculli	27
Capt. Mercer, c. A. el Arculli, b. F. M. el Arculli	1
Pay-Lieut. Comdr. Hargreaves, b. S. A. Ismail, b. A. el Arculli	54
Col. Cantrell, b. F. M. el Arculli	1
Lieut. Comdr. Bower, c. S. H. Ismail, b. Bhora	30
Lieut. Hussey, not out	2
Lieut. Nicholson, b. Bhora	2
Extras	8

Total (for 9 wks., dec.)...169

Lieut. Hayter did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Bhora	12.1	1	38	1
A. el Arculli	8	1	17	4
F. M. el Arculli	7	4	28	0
Omar	6	2	28	0
Rumjahn	3	0	19	0

I.R.C.

C. H. Bhora, c. Nicholson, b. Hargreaves	40
A. H. Rumjahn, b. Cantrell	4
J. S. A. Curreen, c. Jotham, b. Hargreaves	27
S. H. Ismail, c. Lake, b. Hargreaves	29
A. H. Madar, not out	38
U. M. Omar, not out	12
Extras	12

Total (for 4 wickets) 155

Bowling Analysis.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Cantrell	15	2	51	0
Mercer	4	0	20	0
Hargreaves	13	1	58	3
Hussey	2	0	14	0

DIVISION II.

KOWLOON v. NAVY.

The Navy were the visitors to Kowloon, and won easily by 123 runs in a second league match. Kowloon second batted first, and half of the wickets had fallen when the scoreboard recorded 50, and Kowloon were out for the small score of 62. The Naval men gave a good display, and passed the home side's score before three wickets had fallen.

Scores:—

A. J. Rew, c. Hopwood, b. Lockhart	0
W. F. J. Gorvin, b. Davenport	8
A. A. Daud, b. Davenport	14
L. A. R. Duncan, b. Davenport	1
R. J. B. Masters, b. Lockhart	3
J. Fraser, b. Davenport	2
J. H. Hendie, c. Hopwood, b. Davenport	17
A. Earnshaw, c. Barratt, b. Davenport	4
O. B. Raven, b. Lockhart	8
A. G. Renton, b. Lockhart	2
B. Petheram, not out	3
Extras	3

Total 62

Bowling Analysis.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Davenport	12.2	2	23	6
Lockhart	11	2	38	4

NAVY.

Lieut. Guah, c. Petheram, b. Gorvin	19
Mid. Dickens, run out	64
Lieut. Gould, b. Hendie	11
Capt. Hopwood, c. Gorvin, b. Raven	12
Com. Barrett, c. Daud, b. Gorvin	26
Mid. Simms, c. Daud, b. Gorvin	6
Lieut. Edmundstone, b. Kew	4
Eng-Lieut. Bennett, l.b.w. Gorvin	7
Mid. Smyth, b. Kew	4
Capt. Davenport, b. Gorvin	6
Lieut. Comdr. Lockhart, not out	12
Extras	12

Total 185

Bowling Analysis.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Gorvin	4	2	38	4
Fraser	4	0	27	0
Hendie	4	1	14	1
Petheram	3	0	15	0
Raven	4	0	19	1
Daud	2	0	15	0
Earnshaw	2	0	12	0
Kew	5	0	33	3

FRIENDLY MATCHES.

H.K.C.C. v. KOWLOON.

The H.K.C.C. at home beat the K.C.C. by 198 runs. Bating first the visitors only managed to score 79. More taking five wickets for 35 runs. Hongkong replied with 174.

After Col. Matthews (38) had given the side a good start, six wickets fell before the Kowloon total was reached. The old stand-bys Pearce and Hancock, however, pulled the game out of the fire. Both batsmen were especially severe on Lya's deliveries. Hancock scored his runs in 38 minutes, hitting two sixes. Pearce got one six.

Scores:—

A. W. Ramsay, c. Young, b. More	15
R. C. Wicheell, b. More	4
S. Jex, c. Stewart, b. More	10
G. Lee, c. Matthews, b. Walker	12
J. C. Lya, not out	1
F. Goodwin, c. Humphreys, b. Walker	5
A. E. F. Raven, not out	3
E. J. Edwards, b. More	0
H. Overy, c. Crutch, b. Walker	0
J. C. Saunders, b. More	6
E. J. Jordan, c. and b. Young	9
Extras	11

Total (for 9 wks., dec.)... 76

Bowling Analysis.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Walker	10	2	22	3
More	11	3	35	5
Young	1.5	1	8	1

HONGKONG.

E. F. Stewart, b. Lya	0
Col. E. D. Matthews, c. Jordan, b. Lya	38
G. R. More, c. Edwards, b. Lya	6
G. D. Humphreys, c. Jordan, b. Lya	8
Lee	10
G. H. Piercy, b. Lya	10
Capt. R. F. Walker, b. Lya	2
J. H. Crutch, l.b.w., b. Lya	40
T. E. Pearce, not out	2
R. H. B. Hancock, c. Lee, b. Overy	56
W. Galloway, c. Jordan, b. Lya	2
F. M. Young, b. Lya	2
Extras	10

Total 174

Lieut. Hayter did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
F. Goodwin	8	0	48	0
J. C. Lya	13.1	4	72	8
G. Lee	6	0	27	1
H. Overy	9	0	17	1

C.R.C. v. R.A.

At Causeway Bay the Chinese were defeated by the R.A. by a margin of 104 runs. Only one Chinese player was able to reach double figures, the team's score being 59.

Scores:—

Capt. Bendsley, b. H. C. Liang	1
Lieut. Hall, c. Chou, b. Ching	22
Capt. Parkes, c. and b. Ching	17
Lieut. Henslowe, b. H. C. Liang	50
Capt. Bennet, c. Yung, b. H. C. Liang	21
Lieut. Smith, c. W. Hung, b. H. C. Liang	12
Serge. Gifford, c. Ng Sze Kwong, b. Ching	10
Gr. Clayton, c. W. Hung, b. Ng Sze Kwong	3
Mr. Gr. Rough, c. Ng Sze Kwong, b. Ng Sze Kwong	15
Gr. Jackson, b. Ching	0
Gr. Dyer, not out	9
Extras	3

Total 103

Bowling Analysis.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Ching	14	1	54	4
W. C. Hung	3	0	16	1
Ng Sze Kwong	9.2	0	49	2
H. C. Liang	6	0	41	3

C.R.C.

Ng Sze Kwong, c. Hall, b. Henslowe	9
W. Hung, b. Clayton	0
C. Chou, b. Henslowe	0
Ng Sze Kwong, b. Clayton	6
H. L. Yung, c. Hall, b. Gifford	23
H. C. Hung, b. Gifford	1
K. L. Chau, b. Clayton	0
H. Ching, c. Hall, b. Gifford	0
C. E. Wong, c. Clayton, b. Smith	1
P. S. Wong, b. Smith	3
Wan Lu Shing, not out	6
Extras	4

Total 59

Bowling Analysis.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Henslowe	6	1	17	2
Clayton	8	1	25	3
Gifford	4	1	7	3
Smith	2	0	6	2

C.S.C.C. 2nd XI. v. UNIVERSITY.

The C.S.C.C., on their own ground, defeated the University, most of the home batsmen reaching double figures. A feature of the match was Sara's bowling. He secured six wickets for 42 runs.

Scores:—

W. Cullip, c. Barma, b. Lam	10
H. Strang, c. Barma, b. Lam	16
F. L. Squibbs, c. Vicaice, b. Osman	23
J. H. B. Nihil, c. and b. Lam	10
T. D. E. Pendered, c. Vicaice, b. Osman	13

BOXING.

CHINA FLEET CHAMPIONSHIPS.

The annual boxing tournament at various weights for the championships of the China Fleet was held at Murray Barracks on Saturday night, and attended by a large gathering of spectators. Naturally the majority of the onlookers were composed of members of the Fleet Services, but there was also a good proportion of civilians as well, considerably more than were present on Thursday, when the Novices' contests were decided.

The officials were as under:—
Referee—Comdr. L. G. Bower, D.S.O. (H.M.S. *Ambrase*) and Lieut. Comdr. E. M. C. Barracough (1st Submarine Flotilla).
M.C.—Mr. J. Harvey (Gunner, H.M.S. *Hawkins*).

Judges—Lieut. Comdr. C. W. Bower, D.S.O. (H.M.S. *Hawkins*), Lieut. R. A. Chidson (1st Battalion, the East Surrey Regiment), Lieut. L. B. A. Majendie (H.M.S. *Titanic*) and Mr. O. Fulcher (Gunner, H.M.S. *Hollyhock*).
Time-keepers—Lieut. Comdr. W. S. Green (H.M.S. *Durham*) and Mr. G. Roberts (Commissioned Schoolmaster, H.M.S. *Hawkins*).

The first bout was the final for the bantam weights, in which Marine Doherty (H.M.S. *Hawkins*) was opposed to A.L. Workman (H.M.S. *Durham*). Both men boxed with great speed and cleverness, but Doherty was a shade the better of the two, and gained a deserved verdict on points after a hard-fighting contest.

In the final of the featherweights, Sig. Rogers (Stonecutters W.T.) beat Marine Townsend (H.M.S. *Titanic*) on points. Townsend left his body open most of the time, and Rogers took ample advantage of the fact.

In one of the semi-finals for the lightweights Ldg. Tel. Emerson (H.M.S. *Macarthur*), who had C.P.O. Cartledge in his corner, knocked out Stoker Lee (H.M.S. *Hawkins*). Emerson attacked strongly and persistently, but was continually kept off in the earlier stages by very effective straight lefts from Lee. In the second round, however, Lee stopped a powerful right-hand punch and went down for the full count. He seemed surprised when he got up.

In the other semi-final Stoker Dove (Sub. Lt.) beat A.B. Castle (H.M.S. *Hawkins*) on points. Dove was twice cautioned for holding. The third round proved an exciting one, both men exchanging quick and heavy punches.

In the final, Emerson discovered that Dove was a much stiffer proposition than Lee. He therefore went for his man from the outset, but found that Dove possessed a very real left, of which however he did not make nearly enough use. The judges disagreed after three rounds of gruelling boxing, and an additional round of one minute was ordered. In the end, Emerson gained a points verdict, which judging from the prolonged applause from the audience was a popular one.

In the welterweights there were several contests for decision prior to the final. In the first, Ldg. Stoker Piper (Sub. Lt.) knocked out Leading Stoker Penfold (H.M.S. *Titanic*) in the third round. The winner did not show his true form in the first round, which appeared to go in Penfold's favour, but in the second and third Piper would not be denied, and finally knocked his man out with a sledgehammer right to the jaw.

In the second bout, at this weight Marine Betts (H.M.S. *Hawkins*) walked over, and in the third, A.B. Bingham (H.M.S. *Iroquois*) knocked out A.B. Sparkes (H.M.S. *Bluebell*) in the first round. Betts knocked out Piper in the second round, and thus met Bingham in the final later in the evening.

In this contest Betts was markedly superior to his opponent, and Bingham held continually after being twice cautioned by the referee for holding. Bingham was disqualified and the fight awarded to Betts.

In the middleweights, Stoker Booth (H.M.S. *Hollyhock*) beat A.B. Bell (H.M.S. *Ambrase*) on points, and A.B. Pearce (H.M.S. *Hawkins*) gained a points verdict over C.P.O. Tovey (H.M.S. *Iroquois*). In the final, Booth beat Pearce on points after his opponent had received a lot of punishment.

The final of the light-heavyweights, between A.E. Moir (H.M.S. *Durham*) and St. P. O. Young (H.M.S. *Diomedé*), provided a good contest, fought at remarkable speed for heavy men. Moir had the advantage in height and reach, and hit harder in the clinches which occurred frequently.

In the last round Young could scarcely do anything except lean on his opponent, being visibly distressed, but he managed to keep on his feet until the end, when Moir was given a well-merited and obviously popular verdict on points.

An officers' contest at lightweight between Midshipman Smyth (H.M.S. *Hawkins*), and Midshipman Holmes (H.M.S. *Durham*) did not take place, owing to Mid. Smyth having hurt his hand at cricket in the afternoon.

In an officers' contest at Light-Heavyweight, Sub-Lt. Gibson (H.M.S. *Hawkins*) was too good for Mid. Kinloch (H.M.S. *Despatch*), who was defeated on points after three rounds of spirited boxing in which the loser gave a very game display.

The full results in brief were as under:—
BANTAM WEIGHT.
Final—Marine Doherty (H.M.S. *Hawkins*) beat A.B. Workman (H.M.S. *Durham*) on points.
FEATHER WEIGHT.
Final—Sig. Rogers (Stonecutters W.T.) beat Marine Townsend (H.M.S. *Titanic*) on points.
LIGHT WEIGHT.
Heats—L. Tel. Emerson (H.M.S. *Macarthur*) knocked out Stoker Lee (H.M.S. *Hawkins*) in the second round. Stoker Dove (Sub. Lt.) beat A.B. Castle (H.M.S. *Hawkins*) on points.
Final—Emerson beat Dove on points after an additional one-minute round.
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HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

RECORD ENTRIES FOR ANNUAL MEETING.

(BY ARMS.)

The entries for the annual race-meeting, to be held at Happy Valley on February 16th, 17th, 18th and 21st, under the auspices of the Hongkong Jockey Club, closed on Saturday afternoon.

The total amount of entrance fees received reaches \$18,000, which shows that support is increasing. Owing to the heavy list, the Secretary was unable to issue the copies to the Press in time for to-day's issue. However, it is known that 61 entries have been received for the Derby, which compares with 37 last year, which was a record entry for the Derby. I understand that certain owners have entered their subscription griffins, which may have helped to swell the total. Though the conditions for the Derby do not state that subscription griffins are eligible, there is no specific clause which declares their being nominated.

LIST OF DERBY GRIFFINS.

I have compiled a list of what are styled "Derby Griffins," which will give readers a line on what is likely to be seen out in the Derby on February 17th.

In the Peel stable are: Local, Option, Prohibition, Grey Knight.

Mr. Topsie can nominate Mountain Star.

Mr. C. G. Mackie's Auckerooch is qualified.

Mr. R. M. Dyer has Strathay, Strathearn, Strathallan.

Messrs. Dunbar and Stanton have New York, Seattle, Chicago.

Mr. A. A. Alves owns The Wasp and The Bee.

Mr. H. Odell can send Duke of Texas.

Mr. Taelis has named his griffins Shore Khan and Toonah.

Ballymore and Ballymore have been chosen as names for Mr. Mac's pair.

Newtoustewart (late The Waster) can carry the colours of Dr. Mellon.

Mr. B. D. F. Beith has Grey Morn, Blotting Paper, Grey Cloud, Grey Streak and Charcoal.

Mr. A. A. Guterres owns Donal Abbey, Alenitra, Cedar Lad.

Ginnet and Virginia are the latest purchases of Mr. L. Dunbar.

In the name of Mr. Dynasty we find King George, King of Hearts, King of the Plains, King of the Forest, King Emperor, King of the Castle.

Douces Wild is in Mr. Peta's stable.

Mr. Dryadust's colours can be carried by Saracen, Gipsy Love, or Soldan.

Mr. H. Birkett can depend on Kobe Star, Devern Star or Beldorney Star.

Mr. A. H. Carroll's string includes Peach Leaf, Carnation Leaf, Kooling Leaf, Primrose Leaf, Autumn Leaf, and Vine Leaf.

Mr. J. M. D. Remedios has Mah Jong Shop and Curiosity Shop.

Mr. H. H. Taylor may choose from Uncle Tam (late Shamrock Leaf), Uncle Edward, Uncle Harry.

Hawaiian Prince is the hope of Messrs. Croucher and Potts.

In the name of Mr. H. H. Priestley we find Solly, while Main and Salmon appear in the joint names of Messrs. Toeg and Priestley.

Sir Paul Chater can choose from the following: Dahlias: Beauty, Dewdrop, Mystic, Saucy, Summer, Oriol, Challenger, Critic, Phenomenal, Dream, Dictator and Nurget.

Mr. J. T. Bagram may run Zircon.

Saligia may represent Messrs. Hall and Shenton.

Persian Parrot and Arabian Parrot figure against the name of Mr. J. M. da Rocha.

Wimera, in the name of Dr. Fred Kew, closes the list of eligibles, if subscription ponies are barred.

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WELTER-WEIGHT.

Heats—L.S. (Sub. Lt.) knocked out L.S. Penfold (H.M.S. *Titanic*) in the third round. Marine Betts (H.M.S. *Hawkins*) v.o. St. Brown (H.M.S. *Hawkins*) scr. Betts knocked out Piper in the second round. A.B. Bingham (H.M.S. *Iroquois*) knocked out A.B. Sparkes (H.M.S. *Bluebell*) in the first round.

Final—Betts beat Bingham, who was disqualified.

MIDDLEWEIGHT.

Heats—Stoker Booth (H.M.S. *Hollyhock*) beat A.B. Bell (H.M.S. *Ambrase*) on points. A.B. Pearce (H.M.S. *Hawkins*) beat C.P.O. Tovey (H.M.S. *Iroquois*) on points.

Final—Booth beat Pearce on points.

LIGHT-HEAVYWEIGHT.

Final—A.B. Moir (H.M.S. *Durham*) beat S.P.O. Young (H.M.S. *Diomedé*) on points.

OFFICERS' LIGHT-HEAVYWEIGHT.

Sub-Lt. Gibson (H.M.S. *Hawkins*) beat Mid. Kinloch (H.M.S. *Despatch*) on points.

After the contests, the prizes were presented in the ring by the Chief-of-Staff (Capt. W. J. C. Lake, R.N.), who congratulated all the promoters on the way the contests had been run and the contestants on their good performances. Boxing, said Capt. Lake, was a sport which should be encouraged as it required a great deal of stamina and other qualities.

The speaker expressed the Commander-in-Chief's regret that, under doctor's orders, he was debarred from attending to present the prizes, and also thanked the 1st Battalion, the East Surrey Regiment, to whose good sportsmanship he paid tribute, for lending their ring for the contests.

CANTON NEWS.

(FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.)

CUSTOMS SURTAX FOR HARBOUR CONSERVANCY.

The Chinese merchants of Canton, through the General Chamber of Commerce, have voted in favour of a surtax on the regular Customs duty on their imports to be collected by the Canton Commissioner of Customs in order to raise funds for Harbour Conservancy, a movement also recommended by the British Chamber of Commerce at Canton. The Province of Kwangtung, of which Canton is the capital, has had a Board of Conservancy Works for the last ten years, but very little has been done on account of lack of funds. In a Bolshevistic regime, practically every cent of public income has been appropriated by the mercenary troops.

THE CANTON-HANKOW RAILWAY.

The bed of the Canton-Hankow Railway, Kwangtung Section, is in bad need of repair and, unless a loan can be raised, no funds are in sight for this purpose. At least \$300,000 is required. The shareholders of the Company and the Kwangtung Provincial Assembly are opposed to the proposed loan, it is said, mostly because of lack of confidence in the authorities now controlling the line than for other reasons. The monthly revenue of the line at present is insufficient to cover the many military demands and the expenses for salary and maintenance.

MOTOR CARS IN CANTON.

With the gradual enlargement of the Canton City streets, motor traffic has become quite popular, and to-day there are nearly 300 motor vehicles in the city. Motor-cars for passengers alone now number about 250, some 85 belonging to Government departments for official use, 25 to individuals, and 135 to public garages for public hire. To distinguish private ownership and vehicles for public hire, the Canton Municipal Department of Public Utility will number cars for public hire from 1 to 200 and those for private use 201 and upwards.

The forty leading importing and exporting firms along the Sha Ki Bund, Canton, who have been fined Tls. 2,000 to Tls. 20,000 by the Kuomintang Bolsheviks for alleged under-valuation of their goods when reporting for payment of duty, have decided to fight their case through their legal representatives only. Word has come to the ears of certain merchants that, in case they appear personally before the authorities, some will be detained and released only on payment of the fines exacted. The merchants claim that the Bolsheviks have no right to take the law into their own hands in this way; if they are guilty of the crime charged, the Commissioner of Customs should have withheld the goods until he was satisfied that the invoices presented for payment of duty were correct.

(Continued on next Column.)

OLD PONIES.

On Saturday morning Mr. L. Dunbar's Day of Surprise broke down during a gallop and his entries were withdrawn, otherwise his name would have been found among the old ponies entered. These will probably include: Rothesay, Prince Regent, Silver Spear, Roman Parrot, Hartfield, Spotted Sand, Newton Abbot, Fernleaf, Magdecent, Dahlia, Orient, Dahlia, Honesty, Dahlia, Fascina, Lech, Lech, Ramoon, Irrepressible, Satisfaction, Dahlia, Little Minch, Hail-sham, Rivergrass, Grey Dragon, Valiant, Dahlia, Washington (doubtful as he is lame), Rialto Star, Pet Mouse, Clover Club, Langsat, Duke of Frisco, King Johnny, King Canute, Mint Julep, Fatsai, Watthead to mention a few that come to mind, in addition to those given on Saturday.

In addition, there are some 65 "subs" still in the running, so that the total number of ponies should at least exceed 175.

THE RIDERS.

Even with the probability of big fields, there is not likely to be a shortage of riders.

Sir Paul Chater's stables will depend on Mr. E. Moller and Mr. F. Vida.

Mr. A. J. P. Heard and Mr. E. R. Davies will wear Mr. Dynasty's colours.

Mr. E. MacBain is expected to ride first string for Mr. Dryadust.

Mr. Dyer will depend on Lieut. Comdr. Thompson.

Mr. W. G. Crockam will have the mounts in Messrs. Toeg and Priestley's stable.

Mr. Pollock will ride for the John Peel connections.

Mr. L. Dunbar has been promised the services of Mr. J. Bauld.

Mr. V. M. Haimovitch will steer Mr. Roda's ponies.

Mr. Carroll will rely on the services of Mr. C. Harris.

Mr. F. Doyle's services will be available for Mr. H. Birkett and his connections.

Mr. I. Zelenky will steer the nominations of Mr. Fernud.

Mr. C. H. Gibson will be riding for Dr. Fred Kew and Mr. H. Odell.

Mr. Nemazee, besides riding his own, will probably give Mr. Seth a hand.

Capt. Half will, I expect, ride for the Sha stable and for Mrs. Tappart.

Others available are Messrs. Good-fellow, Peat, L. P. Ralph, Surgen, Sewell, Charles, Bartholomew, and Capt. Oxspring.

It will thus be seen that prospects are distinctly bright, provided the weather holds.

An idea having got abroad that the handicapper has been set the task of handicapping "200 ponies for the four days' meeting," it may be timely to state that there is no handicap in the programme until the Champions day, on the Wednesday, when races 6 and 11 are handicaps. These weights will be available on the Tuesday night.

TRADE INTERRUPTED.

Chinese merchants in Shuihing, up the West River, have instructed their agents in Canton to stop forwarding for the present. They have decided to protest against the recent levy of 11 1/2 per cent. extra duty on goods shipped into Shuihing.

WAR TAX ON KEROSENE.

Mr. Chau Kin Ting, a Chinese Bolshevik serving as a member of the Commissary for Military Affairs of the Kuomintang in Canton, has introduced a bill levying a war tax on sale of kerosene oil, an article wholly imported. To avoid giving grounds for complaint to foreign merchants who will undoubtedly oppose it as a double duty on foreign goods, the bill describes the tax as "an inspection fee" in South China, the Standard Oil Company of New York and the Asiatic Petroleum Company will be affected to no little extent by this proposed imposition.

Another new tax to be enforced by the Kuomintang Bolsheviks in Canton will be the requirement of revenue stamps on property deeds executed even before revenue stamps were introduced.

THE MILITARY SITUATION.

The Northern Expeditionary force of the Red Army of Dr. Sun Yat Sen, composed mainly of Hunanese under General Tan Yen Kai, was defeated in its attempt to invade Kiangsi late in 1924 and again early in January 1925, and the hope of ever retreating from Kwangtung by way of Nanyang to Kiangsi has been shattered. General Feng Pen Jen, commanding the Kiangsi forces formerly favourable to Wu Pei Fu but lately supporting Tann Chi Jui, has routed the Reds upon their entering Kiangsi. On the retreat of the Reds from Kiangsi border, they were attacked by anti-Bolshevik troops under General Li Yi Pin at Sin Fung, and those who finally found their way back to Shuihwang were disarmed by the Yunnanese stationed there. The Yunnanese at Shuihwang have purposely treated these defeated Hunanese as army deserters and on disarming them have put the Hunanese out of the Red Army altogether. The Shuihwang Yunnanese do not like the Hunanese, the latter having once tried to replace the Yunnanese in the control of gambling and opium traffic at Shuihwang.

From Shuihwang to Canton, along the North River, the 1st Division and the 4th Division of the Yunnanese have been fighting each other for the control of the territory between Shuihwang and Yingtak. Anti-Red forces on the Eastern Front, now occupied by General Chen Chung Ming, chief rival of Dr. Sun, are moving towards Yunyuen, whence they hope to come south and cut the Canton-Hankow Railroad, Kwangtung Section, thus preventing Dr. Sun's forces from returning to Canton from Shuihwang. The situation east of Canton has not changed materially, the Red forces concentrating at Shiktan to oppose the further advance of enemies from Shiklung. General Chen Chung Ming will watch the coming battles for the possession of Canton from Waichow. In Southern Kwangtung, the anti-Reds, who succeeded in overthrowing the pro-Sun forces a fortnight ago, still remain in control.

Canton is still under the control of the Red Army, but the forces inside are not by any means united. The forces under General Fan Shik Shang of the Second Yunnanese Corps and those under General Liao Heng Chao, also of the Yunnanese unit, are ready to desert Dr. Sun Yat Sen, it is said, when sufficient financial inducement offers. General Hau Chung Chi, the right hand man to Dr. Sun in military affairs, is still loyal to his Bolshevik master. His immediate followers, however, are doubtful. General Li Fook Lam, nominally under Hsu, is having agents at Shanghai, Peking, and Swatow, trying to so fix up things that he may not be forced out when the Kuomintang go from Canton. Along the West River districts, the forces under General Leung Hung Kai, who now controls the Szeyp districts with Kungmoon as his headquarters, will remain neutral at the coming conflict near Canton between the Red Army and the anti-Bolsheviks. In other words, General Leung, formerly a Chen man, before the latter disagreed with Dr. Sun, will allow his former superior officers to fight themselves out, holding that he himself is a commander of a Cantonese Army and owes his loyalty only to the province of Kwangtung and not to any individual superior officer.

THE PREMYSLAVS.

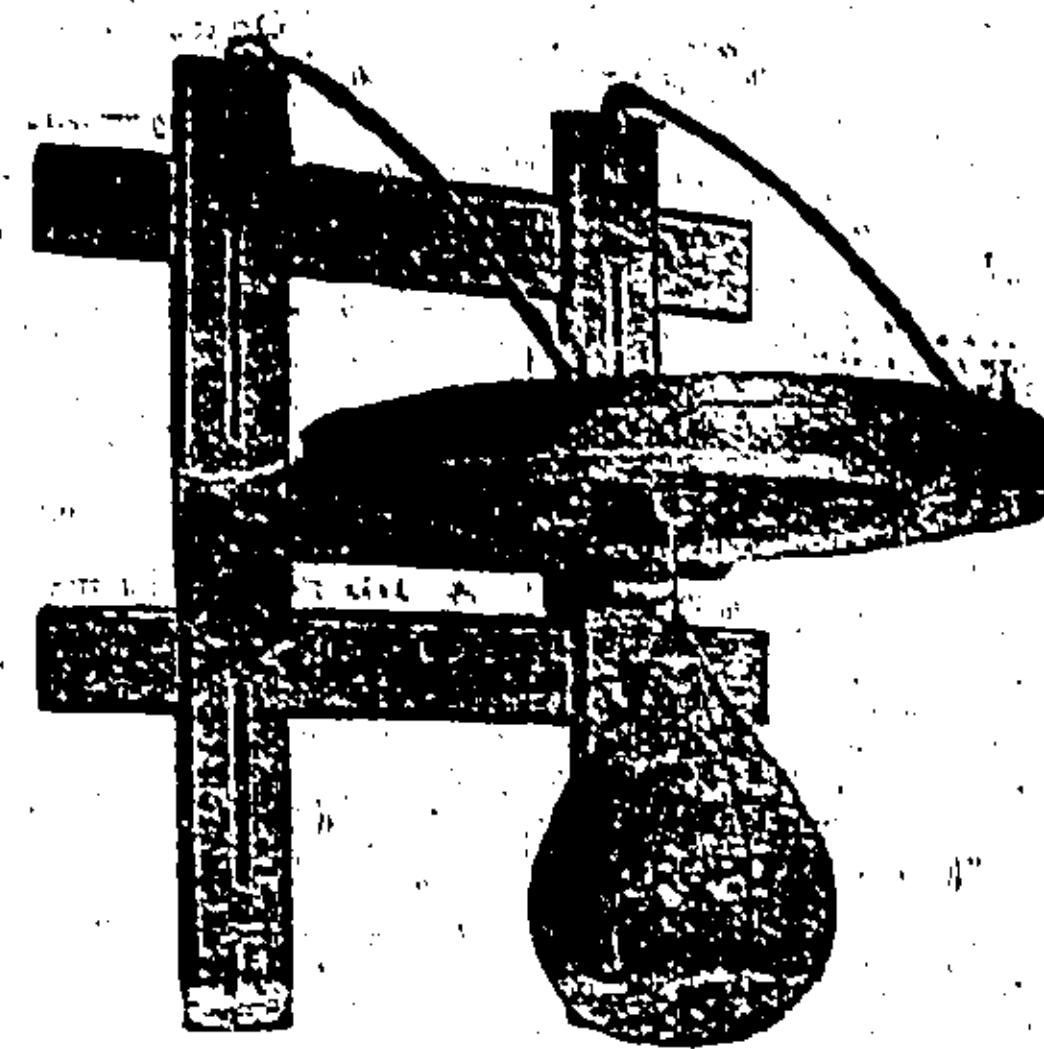
CONCERT IN ST. ANDREW'S HALL.

M. Leopold Premyslav, the famous violinist, and his wife, Madame Eugenie, a cellist of great distinction, had a large and sympathetic audience in St. Andrew's Hall on Saturday night, and the programme submitted by them was thoroughly enjoyed. The artists were rapturously applauded.

The following programme was given:—

1. VIOLIN.
Concerto E-minor Mendelssohn.
Allegro molto appassionato.
Andante.
Finale—Allegro vivace.
2. CELLO.
Capriccio Locatelli.
Adagio Locatelli.
Menuetto con Variazioni
3. VIOLIN.
Slavonic Dance Dvorak.
Elli. Elli Hebrew Melody.
La Ronde des Lutin Bazzani.
4. CELLO.
Mennette Becker.
Elegie Tchaikowsky.
Vio Popper.
5. VIOLIN AND CELLO.
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Hongkong, 11th January, 1925. [1718]

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Hongkong, 10th January, 1925. [1714]

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM SAN FRANCISCO AND LOS ANGELES VIA PORTS.

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Hongkong, 12th January, 1925. [1718]

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JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER,
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Hongkong, 9th January, 1925. [1711]

MR. A. G. STEPHEN, DECEASED.

PERSONS Having Claims against the Estate of the Late Mr. A. G. STEPHEN are requested to Send the Same to the Underwriter.

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Hongkong, 9th January, 1925. [1709]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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FROM NEW YORK.

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NOTICE OF ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING.

NOTICE is HEREBY GIVEN that the FIRST ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the City Hall, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 17th JANUARY, 1925, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Reports of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the period from the 25th December, 1923, to the 30th September, 1924, and also for election of Directors.

By order of the Board,
EDWARD B. RAYMOND,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 8th January, 1925. [1708]

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT.

IT is hereby notified that SEALED TENDERS for QUARRIES will be received at the Office until Noon on MONDAY, the 12th JANUARY, 1925, for the letting of the undermentioned Granite Quarries at Hongkong and Kowloon, for a period ending 31st December, 1925, or, as an alternative, for a period ending 31st December, 1926.

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MARRIAGE.
PARR.—COSTAIN.—At Shanghai, on Jan. 5th, MRS. EMILY COSTAIN, to ARTHUR PARR, both of Liverpool, England.

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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, JANUARY 12TH, 1925.

THE BRITISH PARLIAMENT.

THERE is always an inevitable flutter of interest over the initial proceeding of a new Parliament; but it was more than usually the case last month when a Government came into power with such a thumping majority that Ministers can gleefully afford to go their own way so far as the Opposition is concerned. Therefore, when Parliament assembled a month ago people were mildly wondering what Mr. BALDWIN would do or leave undone. Would he take a bold line, or go slowly and steadily on the road of a settled policy in affairs at home and abroad; or would he "mark time," as they say in the Army? We shall know all about it in due course.

The last thing the average Englishman desires is a spectacular performance in the political arena. The country has had quite enough of that in recent years. There have been too many attempts—or professed attempts—to set the world to rights in a hurry. Of the wonderful things we were confidently promised after the war, how many have been realised? Scarcely any, and certainly none of any outstanding importance. The Lloyd George "land fit for heroes to live in" is just the same old land where you have to chase the elusive whiff, the only difference being that the chase is more difficult now than it was before the war. It is hard to live,

even when you are lucky enough to get a house to live in, for there are not enough houses to go round. And there is the load of taxation, and unemployment, and all the other worries that make up the aftermath of a great war. The Baldwin Government are starting their term of office with the advantage of having learnt by the experience of others. They are preparing to move slowly. The country is not anxious for social experiments. Looking back now, with a Government in power that has every prospect of years in office, and recalling the frantic efforts of the Coalition Government, returned immediately after the Armistice, and then the experiment of a Labour Government, it is not surprising that nothing practical has been done. For it was not in the nature of things that any Government could do very much to restore prosperity with Europe like a burnt-out volcano, and the whole world (except America) desperately impoverished. This aspect of the political situation always has been plain to a trained observer, but it has not been clear to the man in the street. The politicians are to blame for having played upon the ignorance of the crowd, and we must leave it at that, with the important observation that the crowd have found them out. Mr. BALDWIN and his friends are aware of the fact, and the knowledge is all to the good in the political sense, and in the wider sense good also for the country.

We have seen no reference in the cables to the amazing, not to say also amusing, position of the Opposition in the House of Lords. The Government, it appears, has decided that the Labour Party should be officially recognised as the official Opposition in the House of Lords, as it must be, as a matter of course, in the House of Commons, because there it is the largest party next to the Government. In the House of Lords there are just over a hundred Peers who are Liberals, but there are only three actual Labour Peers—namely, Lord OLIVER, Lord THOMSON, and Lord ARNOLD. It is just possible that the three may be increased to five, but this depends on the action of Lord HALDANE and Lord PEARSON, who were co-opted by the Labour Government, and it is uncertain whether they will remain among the Labourites. Anyway, we have the extraordinary position that the first three noblemen, newly created by Mr. MacDonald's Ministry, should be His Majesty's Opposition in the Upper Chamber. The Government decision is, however, logical because if there is to be a three-party system, obviously the second strongest party chosen by the country at the General Election must be the Opposition. But although logical, the position is admittedly absurd.

Weihaioi has declared Saturday, January 24th (China New Year's Day) and the Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday following to be Bank Holidays.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending December 27th amounted to 95,331 tons and the sales to 32,356 tons.

By a proclamation in the Government Gazette the Judgments (Facilities for enforcement) Ordinance, 1921, is extended to judgments made in the Courts of the Federated Malay States.

His Honour the Officer Administering the Government of Weihaioi (Mr. W. Russell Brown) has appointed, subject to the approval of the Secretary of State for the Colonies, Dr. Francis Clark, M.D., M.B.C.P., D.P.H., to be Senior Medical Officer and a Medical Officer of Health in the Territory. Surgeon-Lieut. Leo, McGillick, M.B., B.Ch., Royal Navy, has been appointed to act as Junior Medical Officer and as a Medical Officer of Health.

"Owing to the extremely unsettled conditions in China," the National Flood Relief Drive, conducted under the joint auspices of the China International Famine Relief Commission and the Chinese National Red Cross was closed down in China on December 31st. Mr. Lee Fong will continue collecting funds for the Drive in the South Seas. Contributions should be sent to the China International Famine Relief Commission, 6, Tsai Chang Hutung, Peking, where official receipts will be issued.

The approval by H.M. the King, of the appointment of the Hon. Mr. H. T. Creasy, to be an Official Member of the Executive and Legislative Council of Hongkong is notified in the current issue of the Government Gazette.

Dr. G. Montague Harston, who has had a breakdown in health, due to overwork, left for home on Saturday by the P. & O. steamer *Maecenia* accompanied by his two daughters. Dr. Harston will have the best wishes of a very wide circle of friends for a speedy restoration of health.

Mr. T. W. Hornby who, after an absence of several years, returned to the Colony about twelve months ago, to resume business as a partner in the firm of Messrs. Wright & Hornby, left for home by the *Maecenia* on Saturday. It is generally known that Mr. Hornby has had a singularly successful year of business, and his retirement from the firm has recently been announced, the firm now being styled Wright & Co.

OBITUARY.
MR. A. GERMANN.

The death occurred at the Government Civil Hospital on Friday of Mr. Alexander Hermann, the licensee of the Astor House Hotel.

Mr. Hermann, who was 51 years of age, came to Hongkong from Singapore fifteen years ago. At the time of his death, he had been associated with the Astor House Hotel for about nine years.

THE WATER SUPPLY.

The monthly water return gives the storage in the reservoirs supplying the city as 1,361 million gallons on January 1st against 1,812 million on the same date last year. The consumption during the last year, the month of December was 282 million gallons, and in 1924, of this month both in 1923 and in 1924, in consumption 238 million gallons was, in December 1924, drawn from the reservoirs, the balance being the flow from the streams which, owing to good rains in October, are still of considerable service. It seems then that we have about six months' water in store and have therefore a fair prospect of carrying through all the summer rains set in without any further restrictions than those which appear to be necessitated by inadequate distributing or filtering appliances.

At Kowloon the storage is 233 million gallons against 330 million on the same date last year. The consumption amounted to 72 million gallons against 66 million in December a year ago. Of the 72 million used, 33 million were drawn from the reservoir and at this rate, with a reasonably early rainy season, Kowloon also may carry through without restriction of its supply.

POPPY DAY DRIVE, 1924.
A FINAL TOTAL OF £2,300 EXPECTED.

Mr. H. Glanville, Chairman of the Poppy Day Sub-Committee, forwards to us a copy of a letter dated December 4th received from the Organising Secretary of the Appeal Department of the British Legion at home, which we reproduce below.

Mr. Glanville adds that since the last figures were published the following further amounts have been remitted to London:—
Hongkong (Add.) ... £28,310d.
Hanchow ... 38,12 8
Wuhu ... 57,15 9

The total remitted from Hongkong alone to date is £2,811,310d., and the total from Hongkong and China to date is £3,250,150d.
There still remain various small amounts to be collected and it is anticipated that the final total will exceed £3,300.

Dear Mr. GLANVILLE.—With further reference to your recent cablegram:—
"Poppy Day great success Hongkong alone over £2,000."
and our reply:—
"Congratulations, your wonderful success."
we have now received from the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation of 9, Gracechurch Street, E.C.3, two cheques. One for £2,000 and the other for £333 for which official receipts are enclosed herewith.

It is difficult to express in words how much the splendid help of you and your Committee, in making possible the raising of so large an amount, is appreciated. The generous response made by the residents of Hongkong and district has been reported to Lord Haig, and doubtless his own letter of thanks will follow in due course. In the meantime, I am asked to say that this magnificent total will not only help considerably in the work of alleviating distress amongst ex-Servicemen, their dependents, and the widows and children of the fallen, but is a great encouragement to the 1,000 voluntary relief committees over here in this country who administer the money, to feel that the work they do on behalf of the British Legion and ex-Servicemen is considered worthy of such continued financial support from Hongkong and district.

May I say through you to all who contributed that this collection will bring renewed hope to many ex-Servicemen this winter. With further thanks.—Yours very truly,
(Sgd.) W. G. WILCOCK, Capt., Organizing Secretary, Appeal Department, British Legion.

FINANCIAL CONFERENCE.

A FORECAST OF RESULTS.

MR. SECRETARY HUGHES RESIGNS.

BRITISH FOOTBALL RESULTS.

LATEST CABLES.
[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

FINANCIAL CONFERENCE.

ALLIED AGREEMENT REACHED ON ALL POINTS.

EXPERTS TO DECIDE DETAILS.

PARIS, January 10th.

The six Powers have reached agreement in principle on all points at issue.

Experts will work out the details, for submission to a plenary meeting to be held on January 13th.

Mr. Winston Churchill is very satisfied with the progress of the plans and will return to London on January 14th. By common consent, details of agreement will not be disclosed before January 15th.

ALLEGED TERMS REACHED.

LATER.

According to a French source, the Allied Agreement provides for the liquidation of the Ruhr accounts on the basis of deduction of the occupation expenses from the total receipts. The net profit alone, which is estimated at one milliard gold marks, will be set down to the account of all the Allies. It is acknowledged that Belgian priority is not entirely extinguished, Belgium still having to receive 120,000,000 gold marks out of two milliards conceded to her. Belgium, consequently, will continue for two years—until September 1925—to receive eight per cent. of the annual payments under the Dawes' scheme, after which it will be reduced to four per cent., and the residue will be assigned to the United States.

The British and American delegates agreed to acknowledge the claim of the United States to a share of the Dawes payments under the heading of reparations, but to be spread over 26 years from September 1925. Re-arrangements for payments have been effected with regard to the discharge of American occupation expenses. A lump sum of 150,000,000 gold marks has been fixed for future occupation expenses, liable to certain reduction. After allowance has been made for all these priority claims, 34 milliard gold marks remain to meet reparations out of the Dawes scheme payments, of which France will receive 52 per cent.

Mr. Churchill explained to M. Clementel that the British attitude is to uphold the principles of the Balfour Note, affecting the sum of 14 milliard gold marks, but negotiations in this connection are not likely to be opened immediately. Discussion on inter-Allied debts has not attained the scope previously anticipated. It is authoritatively denied that the Anglo-American agreement on American claims is in any way connected with Mr. Montagu Norman's negotiations in Washington.

OPINION IN LONDON.

LONDON, January 11th.

Particulars of the Paris "agreement in principle" were received too late for comment in Sunday's papers. One paper indicates that everything is not all smooth sailing and many acrimonious meetings preceded the agreement.

EARLIER CABLES.

EARLIER CONFERENCES.

PARIS, January 9th.

Mr. Winston Churchill paid a special call on Premier Herriot this afternoon and had an hour's private conversation.

The British, French, Belgian and Italian delegates conferred for several hours this evening.

It is reported that the subjects discussed were the cost of the army of occupation and Belgian priority.

Mr. Winston Churchill had previously conversed alone with Premier Herriot for an hour.

FRENCH AIR RECORDS.

PARIS, January 10th.

M. Descamps, the French aviator, has made best speed records for 100 and 200 kilometres for an aeroplane with a load of 600 kilos.—Havas.

LATEST CABLES.

HOME FOOTBALL.

LATEST LEAGUE MATCHES.

ENGLISH CUP FIRST ROUND.

LONDON, January 10th.

The following are the results of the league matches played to-day:

DIVISION III: SOUTHERN.

Aberdare A., 1; Newport C., 2.
Bristol A., 1; Reading, 0.
Brentford, 2; Southend U., 2.

DIVISION III: NORTHERN.

Walsall, 2; Tranmere, 0.
Chesterfield, 1; Crewe A., 0.
Grimsby T., 1; Ashington, 3.

Wrexham, 1; Nelson, 1.
New Brighton, 1; Southport, 1.
Rochdale, 3; Durham, 0.

SCOTTISH: DIVISION I.

Celtic, 3; Aberdeen, 1.
Cowdenbath, 3; Third Lanark, 4.
Falkirk, 0; Hibernians, 0.

Hamilton A., 1; St. Mirren, 3.
Hearts, 2; Raith R., 2.
Kilmarnock, 4; Dundee, 1.

Morton, 1; Rangers, 1.
Partick T., 2; Airdrieonians, 1.
Queen's Park, 4; Ayr U., 1.

St. Johnstone, 2; Motherwell, 1.

ENGLISH CUP: FIRST ROUND.

In the first round of the English Cup, the following were the results:

Leicester, 3; Stoke, 0.
Hull, 1; Wrexham, 1.
Aston Villa, 7; Port Vale, 2.

Swansea, 3; Plymouth, 0.
Wednesday, 2; Manchester U., 0.
Derby C., 0; Bradford C., 1.

Bradford, 1; Middlesbrough, 0.
Swindon, 1; Fulham, 2.
Preston N.E., 4; Manchester C., 1.

W. Bromwich A., 4; Luton, 0.
Birmingham, 2; Chelsea, 0.
Notts F., 1; Clapton O., 0.

Doncaster, 1; Norwich, 2.
Sheffield U., 3; Corinthians, 0.
Liverpool, 3; Leeds, 0.

Accrington S., 2; Portsmouth, 5.
Coventry, 0; Notts C., 2.
Crystal P., 2; S. Shields, 1.

Millwall, 0; Barnsley, 0.
Bury, 0; Sunderland, 3.
Watford, 1; Brighton, 1.

Bolton, 3; Huddersfield, 0.
Blackburn, 1; Oldham, 0.
Cardiff, 3; Darlington, 0.

Newcastle, 3; Hartlepool U., 0.
Exeter, 2; Barnley, 1.
Blackpool, 0; Barrow, 0.

Bristol R., 0; Bristol C., 1.
Queen's Park R., 1; Stockport, 3.

The match between West Ham and Arsenal was postponed owing to fog.

In the fixture between Southampton and Exeter City, the former were leading by 4-1 within 10 minutes of time when the game had to be abandoned owing to the fog.

M.C.C. IN AUSTRALIA.

GOOD START AGAINST FIFTEEN OF BALLARAT.

BALLARAT, January 10th.

The M.C.C. team to-day commenced their match against fifteen of Ballarat.

The home side batted first and scored 185. H. Austin, the former Cambridge University player, scored 44 and Stierneck 36.

When stumps were drawn, the M.C.C. team had scored 154 for four wickets. R. T. Bryan scored 83 in 55 minutes and hit 12 fours.

EARLIER CABLES.

HERR MARX FAILS.

UNABLE TO FORM BUSINESS GOVERNMENT.

BERLIN, January 9th.

Herr Marx has informed President Ebert that he is unable to form the so-called business government.

LATER.

Herr Marx's decision is the sequel to a declaration this afternoon by Herr Stresemann's People's Party that they will oppose a government composed of the Centre Party or Democrats or including the Under-Secretaries as Ministers.

As a result, whatever Cabinet Herr Marx formed would be in a minority in the Reichstag, as the smaller parties also oppose it.

Herr Stresemann apparently holds the key to the situation, which is most uncertain. It is reported that President Ebert will request the Finance Minister, Herr Luther, to form a Cabinet. Herr Luther is a non-party man, to whom Nationalist tendencies are attributed. His government certainly would veer to the Right and encounter the bitter opposition of the Socialists and Democrats.

CHAMPION WRESTLER.

ED LEWIS LOSES TITLE TO MUNN.

KANSAS CITY, January 9th.

Ed Lewis, the holder of the world's heavyweight wrestling championship, whose wrestling methods have won him the nickname of "Strangler," met his match last night when Wayne Munn, former Nebraska University athlete, won two out of three falls with him, and only failed to make it three straight because at the second meeting he violated the rules by lifting Lewis and throwing him out of the ring.

Lewis was badly injured and had to be sent to hospital.

Munn was formerly a famous footballer. He won by main strength, throwing off the veteran's famous headlocks and crushing him into submission.

CROYDON DISASTER.

EXPERT EVIDENCE GIVEN AT INQUEST.

LONDON, January 9th.

Captain Glascock, Civil Traffic Officer, Croydon, in his evidence at the coroner's enquiry into the deaths of those killed in the air disaster on Christmas Eve,

stated that the pilot took an extremely long run when taking off. He expressed the opinion that he had difficulty in getting off the ground. The strength and direction of the wind might have been one of the chief causes of the accident.

Captain Barnard, Imperial Airways pilot, who took the second aeroplane to Paris on December 24th after the accident, said that he was confident there was nothing wrong with the engine of the wrecked machine. He expressed the opinion that the pilot intended to land, when the machine stalled and nose-dived.

The inquest was adjourned.

HIGH-PRICED TEA.

LEADING FIRM EXPLAIN PRESENT POSITION.

LONDON, January 9th.

The newspapers continue to give prominence to the question of the high prices of tea.

A leading tea firm state that the increase in imports for the twelve months ended November 30th last by 51,250,000 lbs. was chiefly due to the crops coming forward much more quickly than usual, and that a corresponding falling off is to be expected later, say, from April to June.

The surprising increases in exports and the anticipated further demand from America and from the Continent as the result of propaganda and the revival of the Russian demand made the large buyers anxious to obtain supplies. Certain forward sales have been made running into 1927, but these are mostly in Java and Sumatra teas, and form only a small proportion of the total production.

The decision of the bulk of the Indian companies not to enter into forward contracts for next season's crop is regarded as most significant.

SIGNOR MUSSOLINI.

RUUMOUR OF ASSASSINATION DENIED IN PARIS.

PARIS, January 9th.

It was rumoured here this morning that Signor Mussolini had been assassinated, but it is ascertained that he returned recently to one of the Italian representatives of the Allied Finance Conference this afternoon.

INTERNATIONAL LABOUR.

PERMANENT EMIGRATION COMMITTEE TO BE FORMED.

GENEVA, January 9th.

The executive council of the International Labour Office has decided that there shall be two sessions in 1923, one to study maritime questions and the other to deal with general labour problems.

It has also decided to establish a permanent emigration committee.

LATEST CABLES.

POLITICAL SURPRISE.

MR. CHARLES HUGHES SUBMITS RESIGNATION.

MR. FRANK KELLOGG APPOINTED.

WASHINGTON, January 10th.

Mr. Charles E. Hughes, Secretary of State, has resigned. His resignation becomes effective on March 4th.

Mr. Frank Kellogg, Ambassador to London, has been appointed to succeed him.

The resignation came as a great surprise. It was understood some months ago that Mr. Hughes wished to recoup his private fortunes by returning to the practice of law, but recently his friends stated he would remain in office at least a year.

The choice of a successor to Mr. Kellogg as Ambassador to Britain is thought to be between Mr. Beck, the Solicitor-General and Senator McCormick.

SOME POSSIBLE CAUSES.

Although President Coolidge and Mr. Hughes always have apparently seen eye to eye in foreign affairs, opponents of Mr. Hughes' policy in the Senate, which has advisory powers in this connection, seem growingly to have irritated him.

Mr. Hughes never agreed with Senator Borah, Chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee, on vital questions, although recently there has been no apparent outstanding disagreement.

It is recalled that his successor, Ambassador Kellogg, favoured the ratification of the League Covenant, with reservations less sweeping than the late Senator Lodge proposed.

[Mr. Hughes is 62 or 63 years of age and has held office as Secretary of State since March 4th, 1921. He formerly practiced as a lawyer in New York and in 1907 was elected Governor of New York. Mr. Hughes was the Republican candidate for the Presidency in 1916.]

U.S. ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

WASHINGTON, January 10th.

Mr. Charles Beecher Warren has been appointed U.S. Attorney-General.

POLITICAL SITUATION IN CHINA.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

FIGHTING NEAR SHANGHAI.

SUN CHUAN FANG ATTACKS CHANG YUEN MING.

SHANGHAI, January 11th.

Fighting broke out this morning a few miles from Lungchow, owing to General Sun Chuan Fang moving up his troops with the object of attacking Chang Yuen Ming.

The latter's troops have fallen back as far as the boundary of the French Settlement.

Thousands of refugees are streaming into the Settlement. The Shanghai Volunteers with armoured cars are standing by and French marines have been landed. The roads at the boundary of the Settlement have been barricaded.

It seems that Sun Chuan Fang intends to co-operate with Chi Hsieh Yuan to hold Shanghai against Lu Yung Hsiang, who is now en route to Nanking from where, it is thought, he will take steps to recover Chekiang. Sun's action is believed to be a move to consolidate his position before Lu moves against him.

SUN YUEH'S TROOPS.

PEKING, January 9th.

Sun Yueh interviewed Tuan Chi Jui yesterday, and requested the Ministry of War to take over his troops.

Owing to the absence of the Minister of War, no definite reply could be given. Sun Yueh has now two divisions and two brigades, while Feng Yu Hsiang has five divisions and two brigades.

PEKING, January 9th.

Tuan Chi Jui, last week, sent General Chang Hsiao Yen to Hupeh to ascertain the attitude of Hsiao Yao Nan.

Chang Hsiao Yen has since reported favourably, adding that Hsiao Yao Nan had offered him the post of chief of staff, and it is reported semi-officially that Hsiao Yao Nan will be appointed Tuptan of Military Affairs in Hupeh.

FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

"FAMINE SURTAX" FOR EDUCATION.

PEKING, January 10th.

The Cabinet to-day resolved to adopt a recommendation made by the Minister of Communications and the Minister of Education to prolong the "famine surtaxes" on railways, telegraphs and telephones for six months in order to provide funds for the upkeep of the four Colleges in Peking under Government control.

THE WRANGLER ISLAND DISPUTE.

CAPTAIN WELLS DIES IN VLADIVOSTOCK PRISON.

PEKING, January 10th.

Soon after the Soviet decided to exercise sovereign jurisdiction over Wrangel Island, Capt. Wells and his steamer crew of Esquimaux were brought to Vladivostock where Wells was imprisoned, while the Esquimaux were taken to Harbin with the object of handing them over to the American Consul, but on arrival at Pograditchnia the Chinese authorities took the crew off the train and claimed the right of investigating the case, after which nothing was heard.

A Vladivostock telegram to-day reports that Capt. Wells has died of pneumonia.

SHANGHAI MURDERERS SENTENCED.

SHANGHAI, January 9th.

In connection with the murder of Miss Olesen, two men have been sentenced to be shot, one man to ten years' imprisonment and one to three years' imprisonment.

THE AMERICAN NAVY.

DISCLOSURE MADE REGARDING STRENGTH.

WASHINGTON, January 10th.

It was disclosed during consideration of the Naval Appropriation Bill by the Senate Committee that officials testified that although the U.S. Navy was behind the 5.5:3 ratio in capital ships, aircraft-carriers and cruisers, America was substantially ahead in destroyers and submarines.

Admiral Eberle gave ratios representing vessels belonging to Britain, America, and Japan respectively as: Battleships, 5.4:3; aircraft-carriers (including those constructing), 5.4:4; light cruisers, 5.1:3; destroyers, 5.2:2; submarines, 5.7:6.

President Coolidge has reaffirmed his opposition to increasing gun elevations on American ships. He intends to inform Congress to that effect.

OPIMUM AND MORPHIA.

BURNING OF POLICE SEIZURES IN PEKING.

A YEAR'S CAPTURES.

The General Secretary of the International Anti-Opium Association was present on December 27th at the burning of opium and morphia outside the Temple of Agriculture, Peking. According to the printed report of the Metropolitan Police, the opium, which was entirely of native production, amounted to about 200 lbs., and consisted of small packages, giving the appearance of having been seized from railway passengers' luggage. Morphia and morphia pills formed by far the larger bulk of the narcotics. The morphia in pure state amounted to 770 ounces. Morphia mixed with flour in preparation for pill-making consisted of 1,107 parcels varying from a few ounces to two or three lbs. each. Chintian pills were represented by 25 bags, each containing 10,000 pills, and broken quantities totalling about 250 ounces in weight.

The burning represented police seizures in Peking for the year ending November 30th, 1922, which were considerably less in quantity than in previous years.

Opium smoking utensils numbering 1,753 were burned. These were of the poorest and cheapest quality and indicated the class of persons from whom the seizures were made.

The International Anti-Opium Association is of opinion that with rigid enforcement of anti-opium laws 1923 ought to witness a burning at least fifty times larger than that of December 27th.

LAWYERS WHO DISAGREE.

SHOULD COUNSEL DEFEND A CLIENT WHO CONFESSES?

Should counsel continue to defend a client who has confessed his guilt to him?

This oft-debated question is dealt with afresh in "Gallies of Rogues" by Charles Kingston. He quotes the ruling on the subject given in 1918 by the General Council of the Bar of England that if a confession was made before the trial counsel would not be justified in undertaking the defence—but quotes well-known legal men who hold a different view.

The author himself believes that the duty of counsel is to do his best for the person who enjoys his services. He quotes "an ex-judge of the High Court" to the following effect:

"Every accused person must be proved guilty, or he is entitled to acquittal. The accused must be proved guilty according to law. So counsel is entitled to contend that no offence, in law is proved."

"A verdict of 'Not guilty' merely means 'Not proven'."

Mr. Harry Poland, K.C., states that a barrister who has been told by a prisoner whom he is retained to defend that he is guilty of the crime with which he is charged is not only entitled, but bound to defend him, and that it makes no difference whether the confession of guilt is made before or after the trial has begun.

Sir Edward Byles (Judge of the High Court, 1897-1917) is quoted as stating that "when counsel has accepted a retainer it is his duty to persist with the defence put forward by his client should the latter confess to him, but not plead 'Guilty' if it is still the counsel's duty to continue the defence."

A writer in the *Strait Times* quotes the following dictum of the late Lord Erskine:

"From the moment that any advocate can be permitted to say he will or will not stand between the Crown and the subject arraigned in the Court where he daily sits to practise, from that moment the liberties of England are at an end. If the advocate refuses to charge or of what he may think of the defence or of the defence he assumes the character of the judge; and, in proportion to his rank and reputation, puts the heavy influence of, perhaps, a mistaken opinion into the scale against the accused, in whose favour the benevolent principle of English law makes all presumptions, and which commands the very judge to be his counsel."

FREEMASONRY.

PRINCE OF WALES ADMITTED TO GRAND LODGE OF SCOTLAND.

In the Freemasons' Hall, Edinburgh, on December 3rd the Prince was admitted to membership of the Grand Lodge of Scotland. Prominent Freemasons from all parts of Scotland attended, and although decorations were not worn the display of regalia was imposing. The Earl of Elgin (Grand Master Mason) welcomed the Prince, and his reception was magnificent. Lord Elgin welcomed him in the name of Grand Lodge and of the thousands of Scottish Freemasons which it represented, admitted him to membership, and invested him with a suitably-inscribed jewel. His lordship referred to visits by other Edwards—namely, the late King and, 300 years earlier, Edward I. A Bruce acted as leader in opposing the latter, and his sword was before them. Another Bruce now welcomed a Prince Edward, whom they all delighted to honour, admiring his qualities and seeking to emulate his example of practical sympathy and consideration for others.

The Prince responded, giving sincere thanks for the honour conferred and for the warmth of Grand Lodge's welcome. He particularly appreciated being admitted on an occasion when the Earl of Stair was being installed as Grand Master Mason, and also that his admission was undertaken by the Earl of Elgin, the holder of that distinguished office for three years.

There was other Grand Lodge business, including the investiture of Earl Haig as a Grand Lodge officer, and a banquet at the North British Hotel following.

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING

DESTINATION

NUMBER 1 NAMES

FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO

TO BE DESPATCHED

Kwanglee, for Canton.
Lingahou, for Canton.
Macassar Maru, for Moji.
Atsukuru Maru, for Yokohama.
Ming Sang, for Hoihow.
President Wilson, for Manila.
Trooper, for Saigon.
Polite, for Kwang Chow Wan.
Shantung, for Shanghai.
Saigony, for Canton.
Sodeyumi Maru, for Hoihow.
Taga Maru, for Saigon.
Pakuru Maru, for Hoihow.
Tekuru Maru, for Shanghai.
Yinghou, for Canton.

12th, at 3 p.m.

The R.M.S. *Empress of Russia* arrived at Manila on January 11th at 7.30 a.m. will leave to-day at 5 p.m., and is due at Hongkong on January 14th at 7 a.m.

The P. & O.'s *Danpow*, from Hongkong, arrived at Marseilles on January 9th at 7.30 a.m.

The s.s. *Tynderud* (Blue Funnel Line) from Liverpool, left Singapore on the 9th inst. for this port, and is due to arrive here to-morrow.

(Other Shipping News on page 9).

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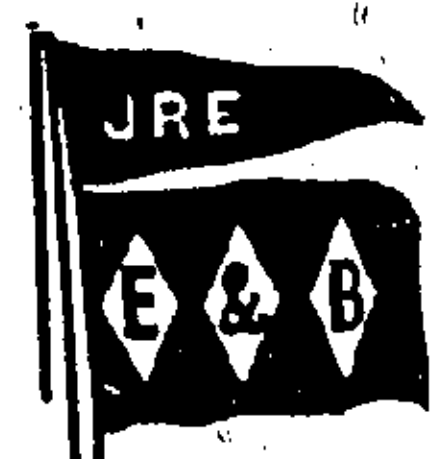
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"MOREA"	10,311	7th Feb.	Marseilles & London
"DONGOLA"	8,082	8th Feb.	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'bay.
"SARDINIA"	6,884	18th Feb.	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'bay.
"KASHMIR"	8,963	21st Feb.	Marseilles & London
"MALWA"	10,341	7th Mar.	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'bay.
"SOUDAN"	6,896	18th Mar.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KASHGAR"	9,082	31st Mar.	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'bay.
"SICILIA"	6,313	31st Mar.	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'bay.
"KANTUA"	10,302	4th Apr.	Marseilles & London
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"SARDINIA"	6,884	16th May	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'bay.
"NAGOYA"	6,854	18th May	Marseilles & London
"SARDINIA"	6,884	18th May	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'bay.
"MOREA"	10,311	30th May	Marseilles & London

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"TAKADA"	6,849	20th Jan.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"TALMA"	10,000	2nd Feb.	do.
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"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	4th Feb.	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday
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"KASHMIR"	8,963	24th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"SARDINIA"	6,884	24th Jan.	do.
"TILAWA"	10,000	24th Jan.	Moji & Kobe.
"TAKLIWA"	8,500	3rd Feb.	Kobe.
"MALWA"	10,341	7th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
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"NAGOYA"	6,854	17th Apr.	do.
"TALMA"	10,000	23rd Apr.	do.
"KASHMIR"	8,963	1st May	Moji & Kobe.
"SARDINIA"	6,884	2nd May	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"TILAWA"	10,000	15th May	do.
"KASHMIR"	8,963	29th May	do.
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INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Due
SHANGHAI	Stations	12th Jan.
AUSTRALIA & MANILA	Chongking	12th Jan.
SHANGHAI	City of Tokyo	12th Jan.
AUSTRALIA & MANILA	Hakama Maru	13th Jan.
SHANGHAI	Hakama Maru	13th Jan.
EUROPE via SUEZ (Letters only)	Typhoon	17th Jan.
London, 15th Dec.	Amoy	17th Jan.
SHANGHAI	Amoy	17th Jan.
SAIGON	Amoy	17th Jan.
U.S.A., HONOLULU, JAPAN AND SHANGHAI	Amoy	17th Jan.
U.S.A., CANADA, JAPAN AND SHANGHAI	Amoy	17th Jan.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date
*Swatow and Bangkok	Kienkung	Monday, 12th, 9.30 A.M.
*Swatow and Bangkok	Kienkung	Monday, 12th, 10.30 A.M.
Swatow	Amoy	Monday, 12th, 11.30 A.M.
Swatow	Amoy	Monday, 12th, 12.30 P.M.
Shanghai, Japan and EUROPE via SUEZ (Letters only)	K mo Maru	Tuesday, 13th, 10.30 A.M.
JAVA via Batavia	Typhoon	Tuesday, 13th, 10.30 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Poochow	Typhoon	Tuesday, 13th, 10.30 A.M.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt, and Europe via SUEZ (Letters only)	Hakama Maru	Wednesday, 14th, 8.45 A.M.
Shanghai	Amoy	Wednesday, 14th, 9.30 A.M.
Straits and Calcutta	Amoy	Wednesday, 14th, 9.30 A.M.
Straits	Amoy	Wednesday, 14th, 9.30 A.M.
Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central & S. America, & EUROPE via Victoria, B.C. (Letters only)	Philippines	Thursday, 15th, 11.30 A.M.
Hobow and Haiphong	Amoy	Thursday, 15th, 11.30 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Poochow	Amoy	Thursday, 15th, 11.30 A.M.
Saigon, Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt, and Europe via SUEZ (Letters only)	Amoy	Thursday, 15th, 11.30 A.M.
Manila, Australia & New Zealand via SUEZ (Letters only)	Amoy	Thursday, 15th, 11.30 A.M.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt, and Europe via SUEZ (Letters only)	Amoy	Thursday, 15th, 11.30 A.M.
Manila	Amoy	Thursday, 15th, 11.30 A.M.

LOCAL AND REGULAR OUTWARD MAILS

FROM SHANGHAI BRANCH FOR	ON WEEK-DAYS	ON SUNDAY	ON HOLIDAY
Canton and Samahai	7.30 A.M.	9.30 P.M.	7.30 A.M.
Tai Ping Tang	9.30 P.M.	9.30 P.M.	9.30 P.M.
Shanghai	9.30 P.M.	9.30 P.M.	9.30 P.M.
Amoy	9.30 P.M.	9.30 P.M.	9.30 P.M.
Wanchow	9.30 P.M.	9.30 P.M.	9.30 P.M.

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ANTIOCHUS ... 1ST MAR. Marseilles, Havre, Liverpool & Glasgow

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Bank Bills, on demand	3/3 1/2
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	3/4
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	3/4
Credits, at 4 months' sight	3/4
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight	3/4
On New York	Bank Bills, on demand ... 10/40
Credits, 4 months' sight	11/4
On Hong Kong	Bank Bills, on demand ... 55 1/2
Credits, at 30 days' sight	57 1/2
On Shanghai	Telegraphic Transfer ... 155 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand	155 1/2
On Calcutta	Telegraphic Transfer ... 155 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand	155 1/2
On Bombay	Telegraphic Transfer ... 155 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand	155 1/2
On Madras	Telegraphic Transfer ... 155 1/2
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On Rangoon	Telegraphic Transfer ... 155 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand	155 1/2
On Singapore	Telegraphic Transfer ... 155 1/2
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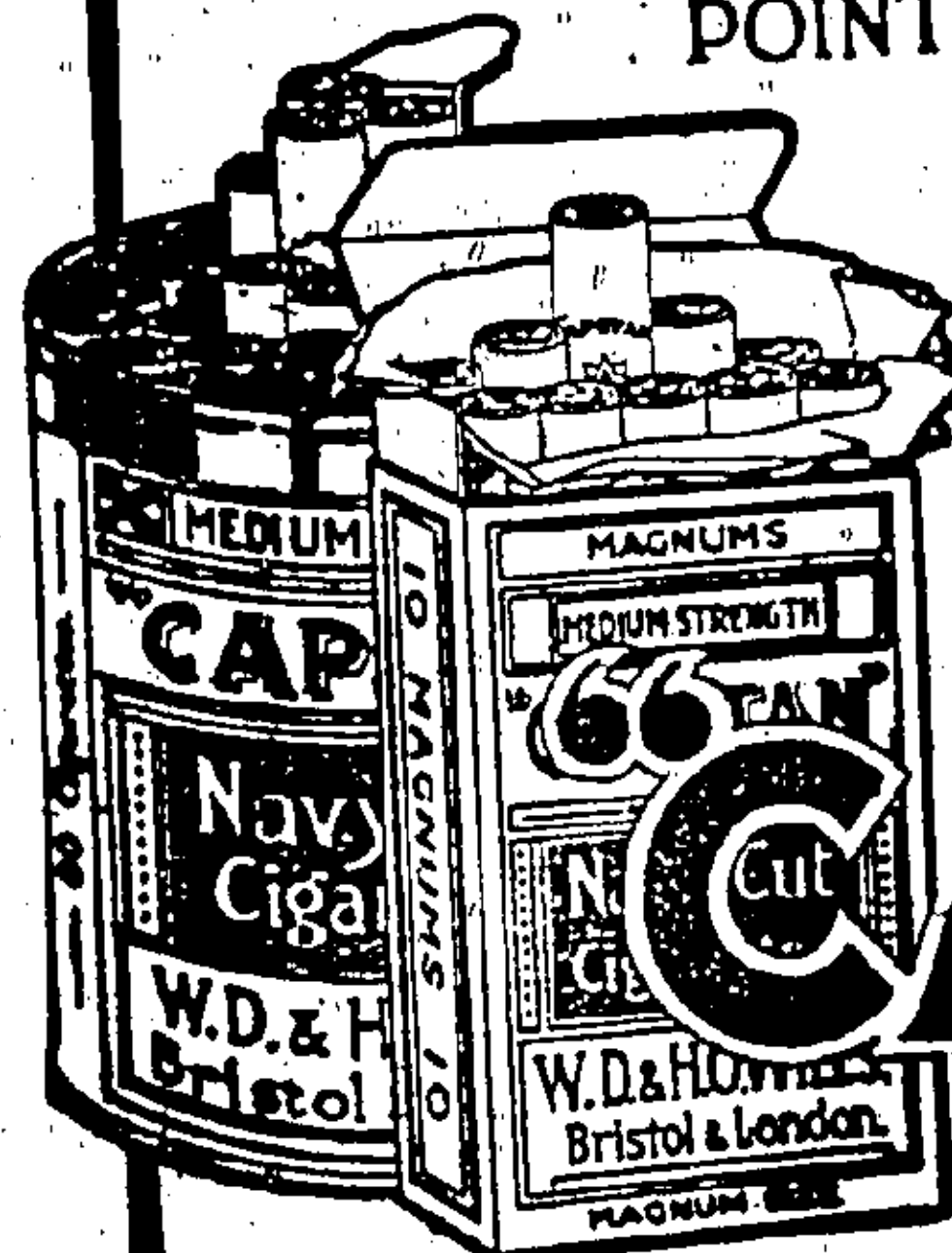
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